

Via Electronic Mail

October 4, 2017
Ms. Elizabeth Butler
USEPA - Region II
Emergency and Remedial Response Division
290 Broadway, 19th Floor
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Re: Monthly Progress Report No. 41 - Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study Activities
Riverside Industrial Park Superfund Site - Essex County, Newark, New Jersey
CERCLA Docket No. 02-2014-2011

Dear Ms. Butler:

On behalf of PPG, Woodard & Curran is hereby transmitting electronically Monthly Progress Report No. 41 for remedial investigation and feasibility study activities at the Riverside Industrial Park (RIP) Superfund site covering September 2017. The progress report is in accordance with the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent.

A. Actions Taken to Comply with Settlement Agreement

- Submittal of Monthly Progress Report No. 40.
- Submitted Final RI/FS Work Plan on September 26, 2017.
- Undertook subsurface piping evaluation.
- Mobilization and Phase 1 soil sampling initiated on September 25, 2017.
- Initiated laboratory analysis of soil samples.
- Completed supplemental surface soil sampling.
- Weekly calls on Phase 1 progress and schedule.
- Installation of security fencing.
- Observed second floor of Building 14.

B. Results of Sampling/Testing and Other Data Received by Respondent

- Subsurface utility survey map.
- River wall observations.

C. Planned Actions for Next Two Months and Related Schedules

- Continued implementation of Phase 1 RI tasks.

D. Problems/Delays Encountered or Anticipated and Solutions Developed/Implemented

- USEPA plans to remove surface waste piles in October 2017.
- The structural and safety assessment revealed structural concerns and access restrictions that may delay soil sampling and container inventory in affected areas/buildings. Applicable property owners and subcontractors have been contacted to develop alternatives for safer access/sampling in these areas.

Please contact the undersigned at (412) 535-0835 should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

WOODARD & CURRAN

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